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CONFIRMATION NO. 5805

Serial No.:

10/721,564

GROUP ART UNIT: 2674

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EXAMINER:

For:

"METHOD FOR SURFACE-CONTOURING OF A THREE-DIMENSIONAL IMAGE"

AMENDMENT "A" PRIOR TO ACTION

Commissioner for Patents

P. O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

 No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

| CLAIMS AS AMENDED | | | | | | |
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| | (2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | | (4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | (5) PRESENT EXTRA | (6) RATE | (7) ADDITIONAL FEE |
| TOTAL CLAIMS | *12 | MINUS | ** 20 | X | () X 9.00 (X) X 18.00 | \$ |
| INDEP. CLAIMS | 1 | MINUS | 3 | X | () X 42.00 (X) X 84.00 | \$ |
| Application amended to contain any multiple dependent claims not previously paid for. | | | | () YES () NO | () \$135.00 () \$270.00 ONE TIME | |
| | | | TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT | | \$00 | |

* If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.

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A check in the amount of \$____ is attached.

A check for \$____ accompanying IDS under 37 CFR 1.97(c) is attached

A check for \$____ and Petition for Consideration of IDS under 37 CFR 1.97(d) is attached.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment to account No. 501519. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

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MAIL STOP NON-FEE AMENDMENT

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Applicant herewith amends the above-referenced application as follows, and requests entry of the Amendment prior to examination on the merits